1   **SPECIFICATION AMENDMENTS,**

2   Please amend the specification as follows:

3   On page 1, following the title and before the first paragraph, please add the following:

4   CROSS REFERENCE and PRIORITY

5   This application filed under 35 USC 371, is cross-referenced with, and claims priority

6   from, International Patent Application PCT/US2004/002637 filed on Jan. 30, 2004, and

7   published in English with Publication No. WO 2005/081672 on Sept. 9, 2005, under

8   PCT article 21(2).

9   The present application is also cross-referenced and claims priority from, International

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12   application entitled "Hierarchical Resource Management for a Computing Utility",

13   having docket number YOR920030587PCT1, and application entitled "Apparatus for

14   Arbitration in a Computing Utility System", having docket number YOR920030589US1,

15   and filed under PCT article 21(2), even dated herewith, and which are is included herein

16   by reference in entirety for all purposes.